



**Economic Opportunity Committee
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
8th of August, 2016**

The Economic Opportunity Committee convened in a regular meeting on the 8th of August, 2016 in the Austin City Council Chambers at 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Ellen Troxclair called the committee Meeting to order at 2:14 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance:

*Chair Troxclair, Vice Chair Houston and Council Member Pool
Council Member Casar absent*

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the Economic Opportunity Committee meeting of May 9, 2016.

Minutes were approved on Vice Chair Houston's motion and Councilmember Pool's second on a vote of 3-0 with Councilmember Casar absent.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Carol Hadnot and Juan Oyervides spoke about Minority Trade Associations.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

3. Briefing, discussion, and possible action related to a draft ordinance regarding special events and high capacity event venues.

The Economic Opportunity Council Committee approved a motion to accept the changes to the special events ordinance on Council Member Pool's motion and Vice Chair Houston's second on a vote of 3-0 with Council Member Casar absent.

BRIEFING

4. Update on the status of the Minority, Women and Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE and VBE) Disparity Study

A presentation was given by Veronica Lara, Director, Small Minority Business Resource Center.

Item moved to October 10, 2016 meeting.

5. Quarterly update from the MBE/WBE and Small Business Enterprise Procurement Program Advisory Committee related to local preference contracting.

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Margie Burciaga, MBE/WBE and Small Business Enterprise Procurement Program Advisory Committee, provided an update on recent Committee activities.

6. Briefing by the Austin Chamber of Commerce regarding an affordability agenda to improve Austin's overall affordability, innovation, job opportunities, and shared prosperity.

Drew Scheberle with the Austin Chamber of Commerce gave a presentation of current Austin Chamber of Commerce activities and needs.

7. Briefing by the Minority Trade Associations regarding their operations, activities, and available services.

Carol Hadnot, Austin Area Black Contractors Association, Juan Oyervides, US Hispanic Contractors Association de Austin, and Aletta Banks with the Asian Contractor Association provided a presentation of current activities within their associations.

ADJOURN

Chair Ellen Troxclair adjourned the meeting at 4:52 p.m. without objection

The minutes were approved on this 10th day of October, 2016 on Vice Chair Houston's motion and Council Member Pool's second on a vote of 3-0.